In Place

At the lesser Presbyterian in
Philadelphia, minister sure
to dismiss moments

early so that chauffeurs
could propel the Pierce-Arrows
and Duesenbergs to the Greater,

there to throb at the curb, merging
with the virile faith of Dr Therefore

marching through the open windows
until the final bell.

Christianity
once represented industry, masculinity

in America. Blood has been deposited
in less orderly places to keep it thus.

Continues to be.

Won’t you help?
Or do you feel

you’ve logically done enough?